

**MINUTES**  
**Bar Harbor Cruise Ship Task Force**  
**Thursday January 8, 2008**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Municipal Building**  
**93 Cottage Street**

**I. Call to Order at 8:37 AM**

*Members present: Paul Paradis, Chair; Chris Fogg, Vice-Chair; Anne Krieg, Secretary; Nate Young, Fred Cook, Mary Opdyke, Bob Bahr, George Seavey*

**II. Excused Absences**

*Greg Gordon, Amy Powers, and Charlie Phippen were excused by a motion made by Krieg and seconded by Young. There was no opposition to the motion.*

**III. Minutes**

- A. December 11, 2008 were circulated today and tabled for review at the next meeting**
- B. December 18, 2008 minutes were not completed and would be circulated for the next meeting**

**IV. Adoption of agenda**

Paradis recognized a letter received from Opdyke. *No action was taken.*

It was noted that reconsiderations of motions forwarded to the Town Council needs to go to the Council.

**V. Staff Reports**

*There were none.*

**VI. Regular Business**

- A. Continue discussion with Ocean Properties on future plans for West Street and service to Cruise Ship tenders and passengers.**

*There was no update from Eben Salvatore.*

Cook questioned the effect of the Portland project to Bar Harbor. Eben Salvatore from Ocean Properties indicated nothing firm is planned to change direction from Bar Harbor projects.

- B. Review of 2008 season**

*Young moved with a second from Bahr to table this item. All were in favor of the motion.*

- C. Sidewalk Enhancements - Discussion and possible action on any recommendations of how to proceed with allocating funds for sidewalk and accessibility improvements.**

Krieg will talk to Public Works Director Chip Reeves about what his project list is and will bring back his list to the next meeting.

Krieg updated the group on the Eden Street project.

Opdyke indicated safe sidewalks should be our first priority.

Veilleux discussed sidewalks on Mount Desert Street.

Fogg asked Krieg if we can use Cruise Ship Funds. Krieg indicated our priority was bathrooms but we could set priorities.

Group discussed the possible project.

***Fogg moved, with a second from Veilleux to recommend to the Town Council that cruise ship fee funds dedicated for sidewalk enhancements will align with current identified projects, such as Lower Main Street.***

Currently there is \$60,000 in the budget for fees for sidewalks.

***All were in favor of the motion.***

#### **D. Way finding signage**

This is in the budget for the next fiscal year that starts on July 1, 2009.

A different color for different tours painted on sidewalks was discussed by Cook.

Krieg indicated this type of signage that's proposed in the noted budget is the temporary signs that are just for use on cruise ship days.

Drop off signs was discussed as a sign opportunity.

Fogg noted that Universal signs would be used to show where the pier is located.

Bahr opined that permanent signs should be sought and be convenient for everyone.

Young indicated the intent was to get signage going for the majority of this season.

Krieg indicated intent was to give information to passengers.

***Fogg moved with a second from Veilleux to recommend for the FY10 that a sign at Mount Desert/Main be placed to give direction to the pier, using a universal symbol, as well as portable no parking signs to designate drop off and loading/boarding areas and general passenger information. Signs should be kept generic in nature to be used for other events. International Symbols should be encouraged.***

***All were in favor of the motion.***

#### **E. Walking Map - Report from walking map sub-committee.**

Krieg updated the group on the project. It is not clear if Maine DOT can provide in house services; thus the map will likely be updated in July 2009 for production for September distribution for the majority of the cruise ship season. It will also be downloadable.

### **VII. Public Comment**

Liz Weston discussed other motor coach management issues and how will this be coordinated by the town.

Claire Bingham discussed issues with previous recommendation on drop offs.

Staff will give language for previous motions in December 2008.

**VIII. Items for next agenda**

Items previously tabled will be on the next agenda.

**IX. Set next meeting time, date and place**

- A. 8:30am, January 22, 2009 in Council Chambers. It is noted that Bob Bahr may be absent.**

**X. *Adjournment at 9:54 AM by acclimation of the Chair.***

*These minutes were prepared by Anne Krieg, Secretary to the Cruise Ship Study Task Force on January 20, 2009 for distribution at their meeting January 22, 2009.*